

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
BUREAU OF EXPORT ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20230

In the Matter of:

SUBURBAN GUNS (PTY) LTD.  
119 Main Road  
Plumstead 7800  
Capetown, South Africa

ORDER DENYING PERMISSION  
TO APPLY FOR OR USE EXPORT LICENSES

On July 25, 1997, Suburban Guns (Pty) Ltd. (Suburban Guns) was convicted in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York of one count of violating the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (currently codified at 50 U.S.C.A. app. §§ 2401-2420 (1991 & Supp. 1997)) (the Act),<sup>1</sup> and one count of violating the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (currently codified at 50 U.S.C.A. §§ 1701-1706 (1991 & Supp. 1997)) (IEEPA). Specifically, Suburban Guns was convicted of knowingly and willfully causing to be exported to South Africa numerous firearms designated on the Commerce Control List without obtaining the required validated export licenses from the Department of Commerce.

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<sup>1</sup> The Act expired on August 20, 1994. Executive Order 12924 (3 C.F.R., 1994 Comp. 917 (1995)), extended by Presidential Notices of August 15, 1995 (3 C.F.R., 1995 Comp. 501 (1996)), August 14, 1996 (3 C.F.R., 1996 Comp. 298 (1997)), and August 13, 1997 (62 Fed. Reg. 43629, August 15, 1997), continued the Export Administration Regulations in effect under IEEPA.

Section 11(h) of the Act provides that, at the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce,<sup>2</sup> no person convicted of violating the Act or the IEEPA, or certain other provisions of the United States Code, shall be eligible to apply for or use any license, including any License Exception, issued pursuant to, or provided by, the Act or the Export Administration Regulations (currently codified at 15 C.F.R. Parts 730-774 (1997)) (the Regulations), for a period of up to 10 years from the date of the conviction. In addition, any license issued pursuant to the Act in which such a person had any interest at the time of conviction may be revoked.

Pursuant to Sections 766.25 and 750.8(a) of the Regulations, upon notification that a person has been convicted of violating the Act or the IEEPA, the Director, Office of Exporter Services, in consultation with the Director, Office of Export Enforcement, shall determine whether to deny that person permission to apply for or use any license, including any License Exception, issued pursuant to, or provided by, the Act or the Regulations, and shall also determine whether to revoke any license previously issued to such a person.

Having received notice of Suburban Guns's conviction for violating the Act and the IEEPA and following consultations with the Acting Director, Office of Export Enforcement, I have decided

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<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to appropriate delegations of authority, the Director, Office of Exporter Services, in consultation with the Director, Office of Export Enforcement, exercises the authority granted to the Secretary by Section 11(h) of the Act.

to deny Suburban Guns permission to apply for or use any license, including any License Exception, issued pursuant to, or provided by, the Act and the Regulations, for a period of 10 years from the date of its conviction. The 10-year period ends on July 25, 2007. I have also decided to revoke all licenses issued pursuant to the Act in which Suburban Guns had an interest at the time of its conviction.

Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED

I. Until July 25, 2007, Suburban Guns (Pty) Ltd., 119 Main Road, Plumstead 7800, Cape Town, South Africa, may not, directly or indirectly, participate in any way, in any transaction involving any commodity, software or technology (hereinafter collectively referred to as "item") exported or to be exported from the United States, that is subject to the Regulations, or in any other activity subject to the Regulations, including but not limited to:

- A. Applying for, obtaining, or using any license, License Exception, or export control document;
- B. Carrying on negotiations concerning, or ordering, buying, receiving, using, selling, delivering, storing, disposing of, forwarding, transporting, financing, or otherwise servicing in any way, any transaction involving any item exported or to be exported from the United States that is subject to the Regulations, or in any other activity subject to the Regulations; or

- C. Benefiting in any way from any transaction involving any item exported or to be exported from the United States that is subject to the Regulations, or in any other activity subject to the Regulations.

II. No person may directly or indirectly, do any of the following:

- A. Export or reexport to or on behalf of the denied person any item subject to the Regulations;
- B. Take any action that facilitates the acquisition or attempted acquisition by the denied person of the ownership, possession, or control of any item subject to the Regulations that has been or will be exported from the United States, including financing or other support activities related to a transaction whereby the denied person acquires or attempts to acquire such ownership, possession or control;
- C. Take any action to acquire from or to facilitate the acquisition or attempted acquisition from the denied person of any item subject to the Regulations that has been exported from the United States;
- D. Obtain from the denied person in the United States any item subject to the Regulations with knowledge or reason to know that the item will be, or is intended to be, exported from the United States; or
- E. Engage in any transaction to service any item subject to the Regulations that has been or will be exported

from the United States and that is owned, possessed or controlled by the denied person, or service any item, of whatever origin, that is owned, possessed or controlled by the denied person if such service involves the use of any item subject to the Regulations that has been or will be exported from the United States. For purposes of this paragraph, servicing means installation, maintenance, repair, modification or testing.

III. After notice and opportunity for comment as provided in Section 766.23 of the Regulations, any person, firm, corporation, or business organization related to Suburban Guns by affiliation, ownership, control, or position of responsibility in the conduct of trade or related services may also be subject to the provisions of this Order.

IV. This Order does not prohibit any export, reexport, or other transaction subject to the Regulations where the only items involved that are subject to the Regulations are the foreign-produced direct product of U.S.-origin technology.

V. This Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until July 25, 2007.

VI. A copy of this Order shall be delivered to Suburban Guns. This Order shall be published in the Federal Register.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Eileen M. Albanese  
Director  
Office of Exporter Services